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For: SURGICAL RETRACTOR CLAMP
CONNECTABLE TO AN ARM OF THE
RETRACTOR

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1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office Action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the Final Office Action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iv. ☒ Other
- Petition for Two Month Extension of Time;
Revocation of Power of Attorney With New
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3.73(b) w/ copies of Assignments attached;
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2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 23-0280.
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$620 enclosed for filing fee & extension fee.
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SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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